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Honorable Loretta A. Preska
United States District Judge
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
500 Pearl Street, Room 1320
New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v. Velasco
07 CR-00275 LAP

Dear Judge Preska:

Reference is made to the above case and prior court appearances. Due to continuing illness of defense counsel, a request to modify the motion schedule, previously set is necessary.

After consulting with Assistant United States Attorney Reed Brodsky and with his consent, it is requested that defense motions be served on May 9, 2008; the Government's response on May 23, 2008 and defense to reply thereto on May 29, 2008. Oral argument to be set for June 4, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. Defense consents to the exclusion of time to June 4, 2008 from calculation under the Speedy Trial Act.

Time is excluded to June 4 from calculation under the Speedy Trial Act in the interest of justice.

April 25, 2008

SO ORDERED

Loretta A. Preska
LORETTA A. PRESKA
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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If Your Honor requires any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact my office. Thank you for your attention.

Very truly yours,


BARRY E. SCHULMAN

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